

## Biography Anton Boegman Chief Electoral Officer



Anton Boegman was appointed as the Chief Electoral Officer of British Columbia on June 1, 2018. Acknowledged as an innovator, and passionate about elections, Anton's main focus has been reducing accessibility barriers to voting, and improving services to voters and other electoral stakeholders.

For over a decade he has been immersed in the requirements of election administration. Since joining Elections BC in 2004, Anton has worked in increasingly senior positions, assuming the role of Deputy Chief Electoral Officer (Electoral Operations) in 2011. He has a comprehensive and detailed understanding of electoral principles, legislation and operations, as well as voter registration and electoral geography. A planning expert,

he co-developed Elections BC's unique electoral planning framework, elements of which have been adopted by other Canadian electoral agencies.

Anton has significant experience administering elections. Prior to his appointment, he played a senior leadership role delivering four provincial general elections (2005, 2009, 2013, and 2017), three referenda (2005, 2009, and 2011), a plebiscite, and ten provincial by-elections. As Chief Electoral Officer he has led the successful administration of the 2018 Referendum on Electoral Reform, the 2019 Nanaimo By-election, and the October 24, 2020 Provincial General Election – conducted in a provincial state of emergency during the COVID-19 pandemic.

A strong supporter of building the election community body of knowledge, Anton is on the Steering Committee for the Council on Government Ethics Laws (COGEL), an international organization dedicated to furthering best practices in government ethics, freedom of information, campaign finance and elections. He has presented at international election conferences, and was the lead operations instructor with the Canadian Society for Election Official Training.

Prior to joining Elections BC, Anton served seven years as a naval officer with the Royal Canadian Navy, was part of the initial start-up administration at Royal Roads University, worked as a technology project manager in the post-secondary education field, and worked privately as a management consultant.

He graduated from the Royal Military College of Canada in 1988 with a Bachelor of Arts, and obtained a Master of Business Administration from Athabasca University in 2001. He also is a certified project management professional (PMP), and has been a member of the Project Management Institute since 2003.